

House Resolution No. 4740

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it altogether fitting and proper to pause to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, Missourians join hands to celebrate the Ethiopian Millennium with friends of the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahido Church to recognize in solidarity that enlightened Love should be fiercely exhibited throughout the world during September; and

Whereas, Ethiopia has played a significant role in developing Geez (an ancient liturgical language) with a unique alphabet and numerical system, so that Ethiopia can continue to contribute to world culture and literature; and

Whereas, Ethiopia is the cradle of ancient civilizations where Christianity, Judaism, and Islam intersect as Abrahamic religions and is considered – by historians – the home of the Arc of the Covenant; and

Whereas, Ethiopia is the center of Black civilization which dates back five-thousand years; and

Whereas, Ethio-Americans continue to enrich the diversity of our state by working as doctors, nurses, business owners, community leaders, and as workers in the hospitality industry; and

Whereas, Ethio-Americans will celebrate their Millennium in St. Louis with historical presentations, wishing Ethiopia, the United States, and the World global peace and prosperity:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our sincerest best wishes to the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahido Church of University City on the occasion of recognizing September 15, 2007 as Ethiopian Millennium Day in Missouri; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahido Church.

Offered by _____
Representative Maria N. Chappelle-Nadal
District No. 72

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4740, adopted September 13, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker